

**(c) Services or responsibilities performed by Congressional Research Service for Congress not altered or modified; authority of Librarian to establish within Congressional Research Service additional divisions, etc.**

Nothing in this section shall alter or modify any services or responsibilities, other than those performed for the Office, which the Congressional Research Service under law performs for or on behalf of the Congress. The Librarian is, however, authorized to establish within the Congressional Research Service such additional divisions, groups, or other organizational entities as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this chapter.

**(d) Reimbursement for services and assistance**

Services and assistance made available to the Office by the Congressional Research Service in accordance with this section may be provided with or without reimbursement from funds of the Office, as agreed upon by the Board and the Librarian of Congress.

(Pub. L. 92-484, § 8, Oct. 13, 1972, 86 Stat. 801.)

**§ 478. Utilization of the Government Accountability Office**

**(a) Authority of Government Accountability Office to furnish financial and administrative services**

Financial and administrative services (including those related to budgeting, accounting, financial reporting, personnel, and procurement) and such other services as may be appropriate shall be provided the Office by the Government Accountability Office.

**(b) Scope of services and assistance**

Such services and assistance to the Office shall include, but not be limited to, all of the services and assistance which the Government Accountability Office is otherwise authorized to provide to the Congress.

**(c) Services or responsibilities performed by Government Accountability Office for Congress not altered or modified**

Nothing in this section shall alter or modify any services or responsibilities, other than those performed for the Office, which the Government Accountability Office under law performs for or on behalf of the Congress.

**(d) Reimbursement for services and assistance**

Services and assistance made available to the Office by the Government Accountability Office in accordance with this section may be provided with or without reimbursement from funds of the Office, as agreed upon by the Board and the Comptroller General.

(Pub. L. 92-484, § 9, Oct. 13, 1972, 86 Stat. 802; Pub. L. 108-271, § 8(b), July 7, 2004, 118 Stat. 814.)

**AMENDMENTS**

2004—Pub. L. 108-271 substituted “Government Accountability Office” for “General Accounting Office” in section catchline and wherever appearing in text.

**§ 479. Coordination of activities with National Science Foundation**

The Office shall maintain a continuing liaison with the National Science Foundation with respect to—

(1) grants and contracts formulated or activated by the Foundation which are for purposes of technology assessment; and

(2) the promotion of coordination in areas of technology assessment, and the avoidance of unnecessary duplication or overlapping of research activities in the development of technology assessment techniques and programs.

(Pub. L. 92-484, § 10(a), Oct. 13, 1972, 86 Stat. 802.)

**§ 480. Omitted**

**CODIFICATION**

Section, Pub. L. 92-484, § 11, Oct. 13, 1972, 86 Stat. 802, which required the Office of Technology Assessment to submit an annual report to Congress on technology assessment and technological areas and programs requiring future analysis, terminated, effective May 15, 2000, pursuant to section 3003 of Pub. L. 104-66, as amended, set out as a note under section 1113 of Title 31, Money and Finance. See, also, page 10 of House Document No. 103-7.

**§ 481. Authorization of appropriations; availability of appropriations**

(a) To enable the Office to carry out its powers and duties, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated to the Office, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, not to exceed \$5,000,000 in the aggregate for the two fiscal years ending June 30, 1973, and June 30, 1974, and thereafter such sums as may be necessary.

(b) Appropriations made pursuant to the authority provided in subsection (a) of this section shall remain available for obligation, for expenditure, or for obligation and expenditure for such period or periods as may be specified in the Act making such appropriations.

(Pub. L. 92-484, § 12, Oct. 13, 1972, 86 Stat. 803.)

**CHAPTER 16—CONGRESSIONAL MAILING STANDARDS**

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House Commission on Congressional Mailing Standards.

- (a) Establishment; designation.
- (b) Membership; political party representation; Chairman; vacancies; quorum.
- (c) Assistance and use of personnel, including chief counsel, of Committee on Post Office and Civil Service of the House.
- (d) Advisory opinions or consultations respecting franked mail for persons entitled to franking privilege; franking privilege regulations.
- (e) Complaint of franked mail violations; investigation; notice and hearing; conclusiveness of findings; decision of Commission; judicial review; reference of certain violations to Committee on Standards of Official Conduct of the House for appropriate action and enforcement; administrative procedure regulations.
- (f) Procedural considerations; sessions, place and time; subpoenas, issuance and service; oaths and affirmations; testimony; printing and binding; expenditures; organizational and procedural regulations; majority assent.
- (g) Property of Commission; records; voting record; location of records, data, and files.